



CWP-28518-2025 (O&M) -1-

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 16.03.2026

Murti and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL

Present: - Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Advocate,
for Mr. Sajjan Singh Malik, Advocate for the petitioner
Mr. Akshit Pathania, Assistant Advocate General, Haryana
Ms. Dheerja, Advocate for respondent No.3

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioners through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India are seeking direction to respondents to pay them compensation on account of death of their family member by electrocution.
2. Mr. Ram Krishan was working as Agriculturist. On 13.10.2024 he along with his one relative was going to his fields. An electric wire broke and hit him. He died on the spot at around 10:30 PM. A complaint in this regard was lodged with Police Station. As per record of Civil Hospital as well as post-mortem report, he died on account of multiple electrocution wounds. He was husband of petitioner No.1 and father of petitioners Nos.2 and 3. The petitioners are claiming compensation. As per notification dated 08.07.2019, there is strict liability of Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited (for short '**Corporation**') in case of fatal accident. Paragraph No.11 of the notification which creates strict liability of the Corporation reads as: -



“11. Private Person for Fatal Accident & Non-Fatal Accidents

UHBVN is engaged in the hazardous activity and risky for the human life and thus UHBVN owns strict liability for compensation to the private person. Accordingly, the compensation to the private person shall be payable in case of fatal as well as non-fatal accident irrespective of the reasons for such accident as the electricity system is open to the public. The compensation amount shall be payable as per provision of the Employees Compensation Act, 1923. However, this compensation shall be applicable for the accident cases occurring with the electrical network of the UHBVN and not in private premises.”

3. Learned counsel for respondent No.3 submits that respondent has already released interim compensation of ₹1 Lakh. The balance payment would be released the moment petitioner submits requisite documents. Respondent No.3 has already informed the petitioner about the requisite documents.

4. Faced with this, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioners would submit requisite documents.

5. In the backdrop, the petition stands disposed of with liberty to petitioners to submit documents required by respondent No.3 who shall release compensation within four weeks from the date of submission of requisite documents.

6. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

16.03.2026

Mohit Kumar

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No